

## *Tips for Planning Your Child's Individualized Education Plan (IEP)*

### *Before the IEP team meeting:*

- *Consider the vision you have for your child for the future.*
- *Think about your child's educational progress. What has been working and what has not?*

### *At the IEP team meeting:*

- *Discuss your child's strengths and needs and any concerns about your child's education.*
- *Remember that diagnostic tests and assessments do not present the total picture.*
- *Make sure you understand. If you don't understand something, ask to have it explained in a way that you can understand.*

### *After the IEP team meeting:*

- *Your child's IEP must be reviewed at least once a year to determine whether the annual goals have been achieved and to revise the IEP if necessary.*
- *Your child's school must inform you regularly about your child's progress.*
- *You may request an IEP meeting at any time during the year if you believe it is important to consider changes in your child's IEP.*

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